(b) and (c) Selections are made by Railway Recruitment Boards on All India basis. State-wise or domicile-wise statistics of the candidates are not maintained by Railway Recruitment Boards.

(d) Railway Recruitment Boards select candidates for various Group 'C posts on the basis of their performances in the written examination. Written examination contain multiple choice/objective type questions only. For certain categories of posts, written examination is followed by Aptitude Test, Skill Test or Interview.

Technology banks for SSIs

3793. SHRI C. PERUMAL: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to plan or create technology bank for small and medium enterprises; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHAVIR PRASAD): (a) and (b) A Technology Bank for Small and Medium Enterprises han been established with the incorporation, on 17 November 2005, of a company named, 'India SME Technology Services Limited' with the Small Industries Development Bank of India, Oriental Bank of Commerce and Indian Bank as its initial promoters. The State Bank of India and Indian Overseas Bank have also committed to contribute to the share capital of this company.

Restructuring of ship breaking yard at Alang in Gujarat

†3794. SHRI SHATRUGHAN SINHA: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that the Asia's largest ship breaking yard at Alang in Gujarat is in the State **of** desolation and about 40,000 workers engaged in manual ship breaking have deserted Alang and returned to Bihar, Uttar Pradesh and Orissa;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.